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Remaining sites - Liaison update

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Last week, the City's Executive Committee received an Administration report responding to a Councillor inquiry about continued need for the First Place program and the program's impact on neighbourhood density and green space.

Several Councillors voiced their support for the program and the benefits it brings to the City, and the First Place Program implementation continues.

At the May 20th meeting there was also discussion about the importance of communication with communities and residents. Administration explained our efforts to improve communication through collaboration with the community liaison volunteers. I wish to thank those liaison volunteers who have ensured timely sharing of the information provided by the City with community league/homeowner associations and community residents, and encourage all liaisons to help ensure this valuable flow of information continues into the future.

The future use of the remaining surplus building sites will not be determined until further public engagement occurs. However, Executive Committee has asked Administration to place large signs on all surplus school building sites to ensure residents understand where future building sites and planned open space are located on each site. City staff are preparing a sign template to guide development of individual signs to be placed on each building site. The template will include:

- a site diagram,
- text information about the site and
- contact information.

This template will be shared with various departments and community liaison volunteers for review and comment before signs are placed on site.

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